

mings, G. W. Alexander, J. L. Hill, J. F. Saunders, Robert Johnson, John O. Ford, J. W. Johnson, C. W. Lamborn, Fort Worth.

Taylor county—M. C. Lambeth, Abilene; T. M. Kelsey, R. H. Parker, K. K. Legett, C. W. Holt, H. A. Tillett, E. E. Hart-
cock, John Bowyer, T. J. Finnie, George W. Jalonick, P. G. Peters.

Uvalde county—John H. Clark, R. E. Jones, Uvalde; George A. Barker, Waresville; L. M. Peters, Uvalde.

Victoria county—Charles LeSage, N. A. Thomson, Victoria; William Schmidt, J. E. Carpenter, Frank Pridham, A. B. Peticolas, J. S. Munn; M. M. Goodwin, Mission Valley.

Walker county—G. A. Wynne, Huntsville; S. T. Burns, Dodge.

Waller county—J. D. Montgomery, Morris Fisher, A. J. Harvey, J. M. Pinkney, S. S. Reese, D. N. Harris, Hempstead; M. L. Moore, Field's Store; Wm. Tompkins, Gladish Store; W. P. Downman, Pattison; W. F. Andress, Hempstead; N. B. Farr; A. C. Tompkins, Hempstead.

Washington county—Hugh L. McLung; R. King, Burton; T. J. Newman, Wm. Penn P. O.; J. C. Broesche, Burton; Geo. B. Roberson, Thomas B. Botts, A. Jeffries, E. B. Randle, Brenham; J. M. Calloway, Jud. W. H. Vinson.

Williamson county—J. B. Wright; L. M. Mays, Round Rock; Sidney Seymour, Georgetown.

Webb county—J. L. Bartlett, C. A. McLane, J. O. Nicholson, S. M. Jarvis, John H. Calais, A. Winslow, C. C. Pierce, Miles T. Cogley, Thomas W. Dodd, S. S. Foster, E. A. Atlee, Laredo; T. J. Lee, Cactus.

Wise county—A. L. Boyd, Bridgeport; J. P. Graham, Ben E. Allen, Decatur; L. L. Ward, Aurora; J. O. Alexander, Crafton; L. J. Randall, L. W. Tyler, Aurora; T. A. Fuller, Decatur; B. F. Banks, Cottondale; J. W. Greenfield, Willow Point; J. W. Tyler, Boonville; W. D. Gose, C. C. Wells, Decatur; J. M. Brown, Bridgeport; T. J. McMurray, Charles Verne, Decatur; T. Merriman, Chico; L. J. McGee, Decatur; W. J. L. Wellborn, Cottondale; D. A. Holman, Decatur; R. A. Dorsey, Pella; Wm. Netherland, Crafton; J. T. Brown, Chico; S. T. Rhodes, Paradise; A. Devereux, J. W. Patterson, John H. Cobb, J. W. Hale, Sam Hodges, John A. Gordon, J. W. Trenchard, Decatur; J. W. Cleveland, Rhome; James A. Hodges, Audubon.

Wilson county—A. McClung, S. P. Wiseman, La Vernia; J. B. Polley, J. W. Dickey, A. G. Pickett, Floresville.

Wharton county—Henry J. Schley, sr., Wharton.

Wichita county—T. C. Thomson, Sebastian Armstrong, Wichita Falls.

Young county—W. C. Blakey, Farmer; S. N. McConnell, Murray.

The following message was received from the House:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
AUSTIN, March 5, 1885.

Hon. Barnett Gibbs, President of the Senate:

I am instructed to inform your honorable body of the passage by the House of the following bill:

House bill No. 241. "An act to amend section 40 of an act entitled an act to establish and maintain a system of public free schools for the State of Texas, and to repeal so much of chapter 3, of title 78 of the Revised Civil Statutes of Texas as refer to public free schools outside of incorporated cities and towns assuming or having assumed control of their public free schools, and all laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act" passed February 4, 1884."

A. D. SADLER,
Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

(The President in the chair.)

House bill No. 241 was referred to Committee on Education.

Senator Woods offered to amend the amendment of Senator Getzendaner to Senate bill No. 64 as follows:

Strike out, in first line, the word "sell," and in second line also strike out "selling and," and insert, after the word "prescribed," in second line, the words "by law."

Accepted.

Senator Jones moved the previous question on the amendment and the bill.

Seconded and main question ordered.

The amendment was adopted by the following vote:

YEAS—16.

Bell,	Houston of Wheeler,	Peacock,
Fowler,	Jones,	Pope,
Getzendaner,	Kilgore,	Terrell,
Glasscock,	Kleberg,	Traylor,
Harrison,	Knittel,	Woods.
Houston of Bexar,		

NAYS—10.

Camp,	Jerdone,	Randolph,
Davis,	Perry,	Shannon,
Garrison,	Pfeuffer,	Stinson,
Hall,		

The bill was ordered engrossed by the following vote:

YEAS—15.

Bell,	Houston of Bexar,	Peacock,
Fowler,	Jones,	Pope,
Getzendaner,	Kilgore,	Terrell,
Glasscock,	Kleberg,	Traylor,
Harrison,	Knittel,	Woods.

NAYS—10.

Camp,	Jerdone,	Randolph,
Davis,	Perry,	Shannon,
Garrison,	Pfeuffer,	Stinson.
Hall,		

ABSENT, NOT VOTING.

Houston of Wheeler.

Senate bill No. 25, "An act to abolish the office of Fish Commissioner, and dispose of all fish ponds and other property connected with or belonging to the fish department," was laid before the Senate with House amendment.

On motion of Senator Terrell,

The Senate refused to concur in the House amendment by the following vote:

YEAS—14.

Bell,	Hall,	Randolph,
Camp,	Harrison,	Shannon,
Davis,	Houston of Wheeler,	Terrell,
Garrison,	Jerdone,	Woods.
Getzendaner,	Peacock,	

NAYS—12.

Fowler,	Kilgore,	Pfeuffer,
Glasscock,	Kleberg,	Pope,
Houston of Bexar,	Knittel,	Stinson,
Jones,	Perry,	Traylor.

Senator Stinson moved to adjourn till 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

Senator Jones moved to adjourn till 3 o'clock this evening.

The motion of Senator Stinson was adopted, and The Senate adjourned till 10 o'clock to-morrow.

FORTY-FIFTH DAY.

SENATE CHAMBER,
AUSTIN, TEXAS, March 6, 1885. }

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

Lieutenant-Governor Gibbs in the chair.

Roll called.

Quorum present.

Prayer by the Chaplain, Dr. Smoot.

On motion of Senator Houston of Wheeler,

The reading of the journal of yesterday was dispensed with.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

By Senator Kilgore:

COMMITTEE ROOM,
AUSTIN, March 5, 1885.

Hon. Barnett Gibbs, President of the Senate:

Your Committee on Constitutional Amendments, to whom was referred Senate joint resolution No. 7, entitled "An act proposing an amendment of section 20, article 16 of the Constitution of the State of Texas," have had the same under consideration, and instruct me to report it back with the recommendation that it lay on the table, to be considered in connection with the House resolution on the same subject.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

KILGORE, Chairman.

Read first time.

COMMITTEE ROOM,
AUSTIN, March 5, 1885

Hon. Barnett Gibbs, President of the Senate:

Your Committee on Constitutional Amendments, to whom was referred Senate joint resolution No. 8, to repeal section 16 of the Constitution of the State of Texas, have had the same under consideration and instruct me to report it back with the recommendation that it do pass.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

KILGORE, Chairman.

Read first time.

By Senator Woods:

COMMITTEE ROOM,
AUSTIN, March 5, 1885.

Hon. Barnett Gibbs, President of the Senate:

Your Committee on Public Printing, to whom was referred Senate bill No. 257, entitled "An act to be entitled an act to amend article 3994 of title 80 of the Revised Civil Statutes, approved April 4, 1881," have had the same under consideration, and instruct me to report it back with the recommendation that it do pass.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

WOODS, acting Chairman.

Bill read first time.

By Senator Traylor:

COMMITTEE ROOM,
AUSTIN, March 4, 1885.

Hon. Barnett Gibbs, President of the Senate:

Your Committee on Finance, to whom was referred substitute House bill No. 22, entitled "An act to levy an occupation tax on all dealers in pistols and bowie-knives, dirks, daggers, and other deadly weapons manufactured for the purpose of offense or defense, and capable of being concealed on or about the person," have had the same under consideration, and a majority of your committee instruct me to report it back with the recommendation that it do pass.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

TRAYLOR, Chairman.

Bill read first time.

The following minority report was sent up and read:

COMMITTEE ROOM,
AUSTIN, March 4, 1885.

Hon. Barnett Gibbs, President of the Senate:

The undersigned, representing the minority of Finance Committee, to whom was referred substitute House bill No. 22, the same being entitled "An act to levy an occupation tax on all dealers in pistols, bowie-knives," etc., respectfully dissent from a majority of the committee, and assign the following reasons:

1. The bill seems to have for its object the suppression of the carrying of concealed deadly weapons, and attempts to reach this object by levying an occupation tax of \$250 on retail dealers in such weapons, and an occupation tax of \$500 on wholesale dealers in same kind of weapons. We do not see how this burdensome tax upon merchants in this State will tend in any great degree to lessen the crime of bearing concealed weapons, for it is an easy matter for any person who desires to purchase a pistol, or other weapon, to send beyond the limits of the State and secure one per express, or by some other simple process.

2. If taxing a merchant who offers a weapon for sale will tend to suppress the unlawful bearing of arms, why not include in this category the individual who bears the same?

Why not compel him who bears the weapon to take out an occupation license, paying for same \$250, and if he wants to carry two pistols, or a pistol and bowie-knife, make him pay \$500 for the luxury.

We regard this bill as but a feeble effort to prohibit the carrying of deadly weapons, and would utterly fail to accomplish any good in this direction.

KLEBERG,
KNITTEL,
POPE.

For minority.

By Senator Davis:

COMMITTEE ROOM,
AUSTIN, March 6, 1885.

Hon. Barnett Gibbs, President of the Senate:

Your Judiciary Committee No. 2, to whom was referred Senate bill No. 262, entitled "An act to license and regulate gamblers and gaming, and to provide appropriate penalties for failing to comply with the terms and conditions thereof, and to punish persons for gaming, and to repeal articles Nos. 358, 359, 360, 361, 362, 363, 364, 365, 366 and 367, of chapter 3, of the Criminal Code, and to repeal all laws in conflict herewith," have had the same under consideration, and instruct me to report it back with the recommendation that it do not pass. It is the opinion of the committee that gambling should be suppressed instead of being legalized or licensed.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

DAVIS, Chairman.

Bill read first time.

On motion of Senator Jones,

House bill No. 249, "An act to repeal 'an act to authorize counties to issue bonds for bridge purposes, and to levy a tax to pay the same, also to validate bonds heretofore issued for bridge purposes,' passed at the called session of the Eighteenth Legislature," the first special order, was postponed and made the special order for Tuesday, after morning call.

On motion of Senator Stinson,

The special order was postponed and Senate bill No. 210, "An act to amend section 8 of 'an act establishing and prescribing the manner of ascertaining the boundaries of counties,'" was taken up, read third time and passed.

Senate bill No. 221, "An act to amend article 4257 of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas," was laid before the Senate as a special order and read second time, with majority (unfavorable) and minority (favorable) committee reports.

Senator Jones moved to adopt the minority report.

Senator Shannon moved as a substitute that the majority report be adopted.

The following message was received from the House:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
AUSTIN, March 6, 1885.

Hon. Barnett Gibbs, President of the Senate:

I am instructed to inform your honorable body that the House has passed Senate bill No. 196, "An act for the relief of Z. C. Collier, Thomas Collier and Wm. Ramer."

A. D. SADLER, Chief Clerk.

On motion of Senator Davis,

Senator Pfeuffer was excused for the day, on account of sickness.

Senator Houston of Bexar moved to adjourn till 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

Senator Glasscock moved to adjourn till 3 o'clock this evening.

The motion of Senator Houston of Bexar was adopted, and

Pending discussion on Senate bill No. 221,

The Senate adjourned till 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.